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WOOD CHEMICAL PLANTS BEAT PLAN

The production of calcium acetate, necessary for the manufacture of acetone and acetic acid, will not be expanded since this raw material can be more economically produced synthetically. The same is true of methanol, used in the production of Formalin. At present it is possible to obtain 98.8 percent pure methanol, leaving a very low residue after the extraction of Formalin.

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Under the Six-Year Plan, existing factories will be modernized. Their capacity will be expanded so that the entire supply of resin obtained during the season can be processed and will not have to be stored. Since the factories will be engaged in this production only through the seven summer months, additional products will be manufactured to maintain full-time operations. One plant will produce volatile oils from needles of coniferous trees, another will produce tanning extracts from spruce bark obtained only during the winter, etc. With this synchronization of production, employment will be provided throughout the entire year.

The production of volatile oils will be handled in two stages. In the first stage the primary raw material will undergo preliminary processing in a mobile factory-on-wheels at the wood-cutting site. The second stage of production will be at the permanent factory.

It is also planned to build three new factories to produce turpentine and colophony from pine stumps.

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